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Senate Showdown On Loan

Washington, May 5.
The Administration moved today for a Senate showdown on the beleaguered British loan bill with a bipartisan cloture petition automatically forcing a vote on Tuesday on the question of limiting the debate.

The motion to evoke a rarely used rule was made after democratic leader Senator Barkley made three vain efforts to cut through the flood of words which has prevented any further progress of the \$3,750,000 proposal since it was taken up on April 16.

Since the Senate is apparently closely divided in support and opposition to the loan, Administration leaders who sanctioned the cloture motion privately had little hope that they clamp down on the debate limitation rule. The Senate has not voted to invoke a cloture since February of 1927. — Associated Press.

Sentiments Of Every Arab In The World

London, May 5.

"Why is it that when we Arabs tried to revolt we were ruthlessly crushed, but Jewish terrorism is rewarded?" That was the first question which outspoken Raddalah Jabri, the Syrian Prime Minister shot at Richard Wyndham, "News of the World" special correspondent, in Beirut, according to a dispatch carried in the newspaper today.

The dispatch continues: "The Arab League, which has been to have dropped one of America's atomic bombs on the Arabs."

"That, at least, would have saved everybody wailing their time, for no Arab from the Mediterranean to the Arabian Sea will accept the committee's proposals."

"Syria will resist with every means in her power and I have communicated to each Arab state and to our League, that we will join them in defending the rights of our Palestinian brothers," Raddalah is reported to have added.

The dispatch adds that Raddalah in or out of office or in or out of a French prison, has always remained Syria's national hero.

"Only a few days ago," he added, "Mr. Bevin, by sponsoring the immediate independence of Libya, spoke to the hearts of 70,000,000 Arabs."

Faith In Britain

"He gave them back their faith in the integrity of the English race. He told them that Britain, of all countries, was determined to stand by the principles of the Atlantic Charter."

"Must the faith of these 70,000,000 Arabs be sacrificed for the sake of imposing on a small Arab state, 100,000 alien immigrants for whom even America herself—with all her pity—is not prepared to relax the immigration laws?"

"No Arab can divorce himself from the cause of Palestine. I am only one out of 70,000,000, but I am expressing the sentiments of every Arab in the world. The Arabs of Syria and Lebanon take the view, at least for the time being, that the United States is the real villain of the piece and that England has somehow been coerced by American big business," the dispatch continues.

"The correspondent adds that there were few cases of violence yesterday in a demonstration throughout the Middle East. How long the restraint will last, he adds, it is difficult to forecast."

Determined Measures

Baghdad, May 5.
The Emir of Transjordan who is paying an official visit to Iraq, said today that the Palestine question "concerns all Arabs who can never allow Pa-

U.S. PROPOSAL Italo-Yugoslav Plebiscite

Molotov, Bevin Oppose Byrnes

PARIS, MAY 5.

SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES F. BYRNES LAST NIGHT PROPOSED THE HOLDING OF A PLEBISCITE IN THE DISPUTED ITALO-YUGOSLAV FRONTIER AREA BETWEEN THE PROPOSED AMERICAN AND SOVIET BORDER LINES, A QUALIFIED AMERICAN SOURCE SAID.

VYACHESLAV MOLOTOV, RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, OBJECTED, HOWEVER, TO BYRNES' PROPOSAL, SAYING THAT IF A PLEBISCITE IS HELD IT SHOULD COVER ALL VENEZIA TULIA AND ISTRIA.

Molotov was supported by the British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, the American informant said. Byrnes asked his colleagues to think the matter over and they called a meeting for tonight.

Byrnes' proposal was made after a cold reception was given to an offer by Molotov to meet Italian claims on colonial and reparations questions in

return for giving Trieste to Yugoslavia, British conference sources said.

Mr. Bevin told the conference that "you cannot bargain away peoples' lives," in response to Molotov's proposals, these sources added.

Mr. Bevin, in his stand against a plebiscite proposed by Byrnes, protested that if the question were put to a popular vote, the Ministers would be back to the problem that faced them in London last September.

Compromise Plan

Molotov was credited by French sources with sounding a "let's compromise" keynote at one stage of the discussion. He was quoted as saying "Let's get together on Trieste, let's compromise."

Before making his plebiscite suggestion, Byrnes said he could accept the British line (which runs west of the Adriatic Peninsula) if Yugoslavia would return to Italy the modern coal-mining machinery around Alibona. The American line would give Alibona with its coal mines and the port of Pola to Italy, straight down Istria leaving those two localities to Yugoslavia.

British sources said Mr. Bevin had objected to the whole idea of any plebiscite to draw an ethnic frontier and would re-open the whole dispute. The British also reported that French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault said he had no objection in principle to Molotov's idea for a plebiscite covering all of Venezia Giulia but wanted complete data on how the vote would be taken before he could agree.

Fascist Springboard

Molotov was said to have described the Istrian Peninsula and Venezia Giulia as the "springboard for Fascist expansion," which he was quoted as saying the "new Italy" must repudiate. Molotov's remark about meeting Italy "half-way" on other issues stirred, according to British sources, speculation that Russia might be willing to give up her demands for \$300,000,000 in reparations from Italy if the Ministers would give Trieste and the Istrian Peninsula to Yugoslavia.

Secretary of State James Byrnes was said to have opposed Molotov on the ground that cession of Trieste to Yugoslavia would cause trouble in the future.

The Italian Premier, Alcide De Gasperi, who flew to Paris to plead his country's cause before the Ministers, closed himself in the Italian Embassy during the afternoon and barred all but official visitors. He was described as disappointed with the intractable attitude of the Yugoslav delegation. An Embassy spokesman said he had not voiced his reaction to his reception by the Council.

No Agreement

During the Council's discussion Mr. Bevin was said to have supported the French-Italo-Yugoslav boundary proposals as ethnically most accurate, to which Molotov is said to have answered that the world must halt its "discrimination against the south Slavs."

As the second meeting closed without agreement after more than two hours of discussion, the Ministers decided to hold a previously unscheduled session today. — Associated Press.

EARTHQUAKE IN SOUTHERN PACIFIC

Philadelphia, May 5.

The Franklin Institute today reported that a tremendous quake was recorded on its seismograph at 10.25 p.m. G.M.T. on Friday (7.25 a.m. Saturday H.K. Summer Time).

It said the tremor was about 12,800 miles from Philadelphia in the South Pacific. Dr. Roy K. Marshall, director of the Institute said "It apparently was a tremendous quake" and resembled reading of the 1931 tremor that did much damage at Napier, New Zealand.

Sorting out a maze of jumbled seismograph records, scientists determined in Pasadena, California, that three earthquakes occurred within less than half an hour on Friday, possibly in different localities. They said one was definitely of major intensity.

Dr. Charles Richter, of the seismological laboratory of the Institute of Technology, listed the quake times as 10.13 p.m. 10.34 p.m. and 10.36 p.m. G.M.T. (7.13 a.m., 7.34 a.m. and 7.36 a.m. Saturday, H.K. Summer Time).

He said the third and heaviest tremor apparently centered about 6,500 miles west of the United States, somewhere in the New Britain area. — Associated Press.

Draft Peace Treaty For Austria

(By Harold King)

Paris, May 5.

From very reliable and authoritative sources, it is learned that on the opening day of the Big Four Foreign Ministers conference, Mr. James Byrnes, United States Secretary of State, had tabled a draft treaty of peace with Austria.

This document has hitherto not been published but is understood to be less a draft treaty than a memorandum, outlining the main points to be embodied in the final treaty.

NORTHALLERTON SENTENCES

Northallerton, May 5.

Sentences imposed by court martial when three soldiers faced charges arising out of alleged disorderly incidents and wilful damage at Northallerton Military Prison on Dec. 11 and 12 were promulgated yesterday.

The sentences were: On private H. McCuaid, R.A.S.C., to be imprisoned with hard labour for one year and pay stoppages to make good £15-5-4d damage; Private S. Gillespie, Royal Scots Fusiliers, 17 months hard labour; Private J. Tinworth, Middlesex Regiment, 122 days detention and pay stoppages to make good £8-5-6d damage.

Tinworth and McCuaid were charged with causing wilful damage and Gillespie with attempting to strike a staff-sergeant and using insubordinate language to a captain.

The findings of the court martial at Catterick on April 24 on 11 men accused in connection with the riot at the Northallerton prison have not yet been promulgated. — Reuter.

THREE YEARS FOR WOMAN SPY

Ottawa, May 5.

Miss Kathleen Willsher, defendant in the Canadian-Russian espionage case has been sentenced to three years imprisonment. She pleaded guilty to violating the official secrets act by giving information to an unauthorized person.

Defendant is 40 years old.

Aerial Display

The American Task Force 77 which is bidding its farewells to Hong Kong this morning will, probably, weather permitting, give an aerial display as a final salute. The Task Force is leaving at approximately nine a.m. and it is planned to carry out a formation flight of the aircraft with U.S.S. Boxer at approximately 2 p.m. The planes will take off from Boxer's flight-deck after she is well out of Hong Kong waters.

Mussolini, Jr.'s Wife Drowned?

Rome, May 5.

Signora Mussolini, widow of Benito Mussolini, 24-year-old son of Benito Mussolini, was reported to be one of five occupants of a British motorboat said to have sunk last night in the middle of Lake Como.

The motorboat, the report said, contained Signora Mussolini, a British Major and two more women.

Only the major, whose name was not given, and one woman got safely ashore, the report added. — Reuter.

Body Found

Milan, May 5.

Police here said today that the body of Bruno Mussolini's widow, who drowned yesterday in Lake Como, has been recovered. They said she had been on a midnight boating party with three British soldiers and another woman. — Associated Press.

Alcatraz Gaol Riot Ends

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 5.

THE HISTORIC BLOODY THREE-DAY BATTLE OF ALCATRAZ FEDERAL PRISON, IN WHICH THREE OF THE NATION'S MOST HARDENED CRIMINALS AND TWO GUARDS WERE KILLED AND MORE THAN A DOZEN GUARDS INJURED, HAS ENDED. OFFICIALS LAST NIGHT ANNOUNCED THAT THE LAST OF THE REVOLT CONSPIRATORS WERE UNDER CUSTODY AFTER THEIR THREE RING-LEADERS WERE FOUND DEAD AND THEIR WEAPONS RECOVERED.

OFFICIALS SAID THAT AT THE END OF THE BATTLE ON SATURDAY MORNING THERE WAS NO RESISTANCE. THEY SAID THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CONSPIRATORS WHO HAD TAKEN PART IN THE RIOT HAS NOT YET BEEN FINALLY ESTABLISHED. THEIR STATEMENT DID NOT GIVE THE TOTAL PRISONER CASUALTIES.

Some of the convicts who were cornered surrendered earlier in the day, according to an announcement from Mr. James Bennett, Federal Prison Director, who said that guards had entered the blockhouse and that the bodies of three convicts had been removed. They included that of the alleged ringleader of the mutiny, Bernard Paul Coy, he said.

Rigor mortis had set in in one of the bodies and the men's arms were fixed in the position of firing a rifle. His rifle lay beside the second body, lying outstretched in the passage leading from the cell which had formed the mutineers' firing point during the siege.

Bernard Paul Coy, 46-year-old gangster, was serving a 25-year sentence for armed robbery when he became the leader of the desperate plot to break out from the island prison, from which no man has ever been known to escape and live.

Stillwell Visit

General Joseph Stilwell (Vinegar Joe) who won fame four years ago as the commander of the Chinese forces fighting alongside the British, today visited Alcatraz prison island—the scene of the greatest jail riot in American history.

With Stilwell, now commander of the United States 6th Army at San Francisco, went his Chief-of-Staff, General Frank Merrill, the former U.S. Deputy Commander in the India-Burma war theatre.

On their return to the mainland, General Merrill made it clear that the visit had been made in a private capacity and that no Army aid had been asked for or offered. — Associated Press and Reuter.

Forged Welfare Col.'s Name

Lands, May 5.

Pleading guilty at Yorkshire Assizes yesterday to charges of forgery and theft totalling £1,572 while serving as civil-military chief clerk in the office of the Army Northern Command Welfare Officer at York, Sidney Mathews, 55, of Waverley Street, York, was sent to penal servitude for four years.

It was stated that Mathews had served sentences of imprisonment for false pretences and embezzlement. Detective Officer Byrnes said that in spite of all the money Mathews had fraudulently obtained he now had only £1-10-6.

G. W. Wrangham, prosecuting, said that Mathews had forged the name Colonel P. F. Derwin, Welfare Officer, by linking over his rubber stamp signature.

While in charge of the Welfare Office for sometime, Mathews had been receiving sums of money and cheques from people anxious to help welfare work. These people were apparently content not to ask for receipts. It was estimated that much of this money had been appropriated by Mathews. — Reuter.

Nuernberg Rocked By Explosions

Nuernberg, May 5.

The entire city of Nuernberg was rocked by a series of explosions tonight when a vast ammunition dump a few miles outside the city blew up. Windows were broken in Nuernberg and huge fires lit up the sky for miles around.

The explosion followed the demolition of enemy small arms ammunition which got out of control, spread to high explosives and blew up.

Official quarters tonight denied rumours that sabotage was responsible for the explosions, and they stated emphatically that they were due to demolition work getting out of control. — Reuter.

Windows Broken

Nuernberg, May 5.

The windows of many buildings, including those of the War Crimes Court, were shattered. Planned destruction of dumps in this vicinity have been going on since last Summer, but Saturday night's explosions were the heaviest felt to date.

(An Exchange-Telegraph dispatch said the dump was not off accidentally during the course of planned detonations and that military prisoners in a neighbouring American Police Stockade were evacuated to Nuernberg for safety). — Associated Press.

Supremo At Singapore Conference

London, May 5.

Lord Louis Mountbatten, the Supreme Allied Commander, South East Asia, presided over a special conference which has just concluded in Singapore, at which the "forthcoming military moves in the Netherlands East Indies archipelago" were discussed, according to a Netherlands News Agency report.

Major-General D. Bruman van Vroeden, Chief-of-Staff to the Netherlands East Indies Army, and Gilbert Mackintosh, the British political adviser in Java, were also reported to have been present.

"Although official Dutch and British sources in Batavia were not prepared to comment on the nature of the discussions it may be assumed that the conference was specially concerned with the recent developments in Sumatra," the report added. — Reuter.

THE WEATHER

Today's forecast: Fair to cloudy, with light to moderate easterly winds; good visibility. Yesterday's temperatures, etc.: Maximum: 85.5 deg. at 3 p.m. Minimum: 75.8 deg. at 6 a.m. Sunshine: 10 hours. Max. Rel. Humidity: 88% at 6 a.m.

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Paris Deadlock

The threat of a complete breakdown of the Council of Foreign Ministers, assembled in Paris with the declared purpose of preparing peace treaties between the principal Allied Powers, on the one hand and Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Finland on the other, is real and disquieting. That there were fundamental differences in outlook was known before the "Peace Conference" began, but that no mood of compromise should have appeared after nine days of close discussion, may compel a postponement which can only have the effect of breeding further distrust and suspicion. The talks are not over yet and a last-minute change for the better may develop. It is imperative that every effort be strained to achieve this end. The Paris talks provide the test whether such co-operation can be reached between the Allies as will enable large areas of Europe to work out their destinies in peace. Delay in reaching a settlement has been prolonged until it has become almost intolerable. Yet it cannot be said that there is the slightest indication of a change in the diverging points of view of the Allied Powers. Rival diplomatic aims have indeed become more apparent and talk of independent action in concluding treaties more open.

Even while the Paris Conference was in preparation Russia had been discussing peace terms with Finland and Hungary. Long since Russia has established what is virtually effective control of Rumania and Bulgaria. On the other hand, marked progress has been made towards peace between Italy and the Anglo-Saxon democracies, although points of difficulty remain. The future of Trieste, and the Russian demand for reparations from the Italians, whose capacity to pay is a minus quantity, are still in dispute. Moreover, Russia has maintained her resistance to any suggestion of the disarmament of Rumania, Hungary and Bulgaria, and has resented non-recognition by her allies of the existing Bulgarian Government. These are the wide differences of outlook that Paris is attempting to bring into focus. They do not lend themselves to superficial adjustments or diplomatic formulae. To the last moment there must be hope of agreement that will relieve the strain between Russia and the Western Powers, and enable the Peace Conference to assemble in an atmosphere of understanding between the Allies. The conclusion of separate peace treaties dividing Europe into two blocs would afford no permanent guarantee of stability. It would leave open a whole range of questions in which lie the seeds of future misunderstanding. About these the Foreign Ministers have not been left in any doubt, since representatives of all the States concerned are in Paris to present their cases. Control of the Danube, the conflicting claims of the Balkan States, the future of the Ruhr and the Rhineland are all on the agenda. The outstanding issue for Paris remains whether there is to be unity of purpose or an unending conflict of ideas.

EXECUTED

Sydney, May 5.
 Sub-Lieutenant Shigao Sumura was executed yesterday at Rabaul, the sixth Japanese war criminal to be executed since March 20, dispatched to the Sydney "Morning Sun" reformatory yesterday.
 Sumura was charged with murdering four Australian airmen.—Associated Press.

Chinese Play In English

An entertainment of exceptional interest to visitors to the Colony will be produced this week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the French Convent theatre, Causeway Bay, of a one-act traditional Chinese play, in English.

Foreigners find it difficult if not impossible to understand the Chinese drama with its rigid conventions and this is an opportunity which should not be missed by those who would like to be initiated into the colour and pageantry of the traditional Chinese theatre.

"The Three Promised Brides" by Hsiung Cheng-chin brings to the stage all the colour and pageantry of the traditional Chinese theatre. The piece will be preceded by a short explanation in English of the principal conventions which govern Chinese acting, and as the dialogue is in English foreign visitors will be able to follow this quaint story of a bride who was betrothed to three suitors.

The popular comedy by Alan Monkhouse, "The Grand Cham's Diamond" will be presented before the Chinese play. Both productions are being staged by the friends and pupils of Wah Yan College and a large attendance of Servicemen is expected.

APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are gazetted:—
 His Honour Mr. Ernest Hillier Williams, to act as Chief Justice; Mr. Thomas Megarry to be Chairman, Urban Council; Mr. Claude Bramall, Burgess, to be Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary; Mr. Charles Henry Sansom, C.M.G., C.B.E., to act as Commissioner of Police; Dr. Joseph Patrick Fehilly, O.B.E., to act as Director of Medical Services; Mr. Harold Stuart House to act as Director of Public Works; Mr. Walter Morris Thomas to act as Director of Supplies, Trade & Industry and as Superintendent of Imports & Exports; Commander Archibald Stuart Dudley Ryder, R.N. (Retd.) to act as Harbour Master; Mr. Ivan Bernard Trevor, M.C., to act as Manager, Railway; Mr. Herbert John Harris to act as Postmaster General; Mr. Leonard Starbuck to act as Director of the Royal Observatory; Mr. Ernest Edwin Ingger to act as Controller of Stores; Mr. Harold Rupert Hirst to act as Accountant General; Mr. Kwan Cho Yiu to act as First Police Magistrate; Mr. William Henry Latimer to act as Police Magistrate; Mr. George Yuk Ki She to act as Police Magistrate; Mr. Horace Lo to act as Police Magistrate; Mr. Francisco Xavier d'Almada e Castro to act as Police Magistrate.

CHEUNG CHAU IS. SPORTS

A three-day sports meeting, in which 45 Commandos took part, has just been concluded on Cheung Chau Island in commemoration of the 27th anniversary of the Chinese student movement of Peking.

Soccer, basketball and a round-the-island race featured the meeting, in which the Commandos won both their soccer matches, beating Teachers 6-0 and Combined Chinese 6-0.

The round-the-island race was won by Cpl. C. W. Hill, with Marine J. L. Marshall second. Commandos lost both their basketball matches, to the Teachers by 30-35 and the Combined Chinese by 28-34.

Commandos also gave a display of the spring bayonet charge.

SPORTS MEET

A very successful sports meeting was held by 907 Port Opening Company, Royal Engineers, at Chatham Road yesterday. Over 150 competitors took part and the outstanding athlete was L/Cpl. Townsley, who won the 440, 880, and one mile. Others prominent were Harris, Rennie and Hill. The inter section relay race was won by "D" section largely due to a fine sprint by Rennie.

The following were the results:—
 100 Yards—1. Harris; 2. Rennie; 3. Cox.
 220 Yards—1. Rennie; 2. Cox; 3. McQuillan.
 440 Yards—1. Townsley; 2. Hill; 3. Smith.
 880 Yards—1. Townsley; 2. Hill; 3. Dowling.
 One Mile—1. Townsley; 2. Harris; 3. McQuillan.
 1500 Yards—1. "D" Section.
 Long Jump—1. Harris; 2. Cowper; 3. Moulton.
 High Jump—1. Moulton; 2. Harris.
 Three-legged Race—1. Gether and Harris; 2. Faulkner and Phillips.
 Tag-of-War—1. "D" Section.

Marshall's Efforts Stalemate

NANKING, MAY 5.
 GENERAL GEORGE MARSHALL CONTINUED HIS NEGOTIATIONS TO BRING ABOUT A CESSATION OF THE MANCHURIAN HOSTILITIES, BUT HIS EFFORTS HAVE BEEN STALEMATED OVER THE GOVERNMENT'S INSISTENCE THAT CHANGCHUN MUST BE TURNED OVER BY THE COMMUNISTS BEFORE ANY AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED.

NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN REPORTED IN THE FIRST NANKING CONFERENCE BETWEEN GENERAL MARSHALL AND COMMUNIST LEADER GENERAL CHOU EN-LAI, WHO TALKED FOR ONE AND A HALF HOURS WITHOUT REACHING ANY ACCORD.

The second meeting is scheduled for the near future in which General Hsu Yung-chang, the Kuomintang member of the Sino-American Unity Committee will participate. General Hsu arrived here today from Chungking.

It is reliably reported that General Chou raised the question in his talk with General Marshall of sending a three man team into Central China to call a halt to the fighting which has broken out there.

Some quarters here interpret the outbreak of strife in this usually dormant section of Central China as the Government's reply to the Communist actions in Manchuria.

Meanwhile, the possibility appeared slim that the National Constitutional Assembly could be held soon. Shao Li-tze, secretary-general of the People's Consultative Council, believes the Assembly will be called this autumn because Nanking's heat would make work impossible in the summer. This would conform to the Communist desires of last November that the Assembly be held in October to give them time for their problems to be solved.—Associated Press.

Attorney Shinichi Ohara was talking with Japanese reporters on the queer behaviour of his client Shumei Okawa before the International Military Tribunal. "I don't know why Doctor Okawa slapped ex-Premier Tojo," the lawyer said, "but he used to refer to Tojo as a 'stone head'."—Associated Press.

STILL NO JAP. CABINET

Tokyo, May 5.
 Tetsu Katayama, Secretary-General of the Social Democratic Party, conferred with Premier Shidehara today as political leaders resumed their attempts to formulate a new Cabinet following yesterday's disqualification by General MacArthur of Ichiro Hatoyama, Liberal Party President, as Premier.

It was learned that the Cabinet, prior to receiving the Allied Headquarters memorandum, had unofficially informed the Emperor on the night of May 3 that it had decided to offer the Premiership to Hatoyama.

Now political leaders apparently will start from the beginning to formulate a new government—badly needed in view of the shortness of time before the scheduled Diet session which is expected before May 17.

Hatoyama, meanwhile, indicated he hopes to continue as the dominant figure in the Liberal Party. He told interviewers he was not sure whether the disqualification barred him from his party position and participation in it. However, the Government sometime ago announced that putative individuals would be expected to "withdraw" from party activities.—Associated Press.

BIG BATTLE EXPECTED

Peiping, May 5.
 Authoritative Chinese Communist sources here said today that the stage has been set for a large scale battle for Chungyuan on the central plain of the Hupeh-Honan border.

These sources alleged that the Government has assembled 11 Kuomintang armies and more than 300,000 troops for "a battle of annihilation" against Communist General Li Hsien-ning's 70,000 soldiers.

Neither side has denied that minor clashes have already occurred in the Chungyuan area, but Government General Chen Kai-min declared that there is no such thing as a great battle. He said the engagements brought only 4,000 casualties and that he presumed that he spoke only for the Nationalist losses.—Associated Press.

R.W. MAYER

Las Vegas, Nevada, May 5.
 Rudolph W. Mayer of San Francisco was elected a director of the new \$1,000,000 resort hotel that is under construction here. He was formerly a Shanghai manufacturer and was imprisoned by the Japanese in 1942 and held until 1945. He is a brother of L. B. Mayer, the movie magnate.—Associated Press.

Netherlands Community Celebrates

The Netherlands Community in Hong Kong gathered on Saturday night in the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden to celebrate the first anniversary of the liberation of their home country.

In his speech Mr. J. J. Yma, Netherlands Vice-Consul, drew attention to the debt owing the Allied Forces which liberated the Netherlands after five years of occupation by the Germans.

At the end of the war in Europe conditions in Holland were extremely serious, there was much destruction, a large part of the country was flooded and the population starving. In the year that lies behind, much had been attained through hard work and with the assistance of our Allies, but much remains still to be done, many difficulties to be overcome.

With confidence in the future he expressed the hope that the Netherlands would soon be able to regain their former position among the nations of the world.

A congratulatory telegram was sent to H.M. Queen Wilhelmina.

Funeral

J.A.E. da Silva
 The funeral of the late Mr. Julio Antonio Eugenio da Silva took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, the Rev. Fr. Guarona officiating.

The principal mourners were the widow, Mrs. Olga Jorge da Silva, and the sons and relatives of the late Mr. da Silva. Among those who attended were Chevalier J. M. Noronha, Lt.-Eng. Virgilio Correa, Capt. Armando Ferraz, Major H. L. Ozorio, Mrs. C. d'Almada e Castro, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. de V. Soares, Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonji, Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Gutierrez, Mr. P. Yvanovich, Mr. and Mrs. Stott, Mrs. C. Christensen, F/Lt. K. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. E. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva, and many others.

DRAFT PEACE TREATY FOR AUSTRIA

(Continued from Page 1)
 Austria under the Moscow declaration to be assured and the Austrian Government to be left completely in control over its economic resources and activities.

Equal commercial and trading rights with Austria on a reciprocal basis to be guaranteed by treaty (including the commercial use of Austrian railways, waterways and air "lines").

These guarantees, the memorandum said, could be limited to three years pending negotiation for a new commercial agreement based on the principles of the peace treaty.

War Criminals

(7) Austria to enjoy full diplomatic relations with all nations and to be freed of any foreign rights or controls except where specifically provided otherwise in the treaty. Austria is to agree to regard as null and void and as an infringement of its sovereignty all agreements on treaties concluded after March 18, 1938.

(8) Treaty to produce appropriate dispositions in regard to the problem of war criminals.

(9) Austria's armed forces to be limited to (a) requirements for maintaining internal order. (b) Local frontier defence.

(10) Austria to be guaranteed equal rights with all other nations in regard to the River Danube shipping which would be organized under international control.

(11) France, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom and the United States are to form a treaty commission to carry out any tasks entrusted to it by treaty with Austria and to be given the necessary powers to aid the Austrian Government in reconstructing the country.—Reuter.

Readers' Letters

Danger To Health

Sir,—What is all this anxiety about the danger of cholera, with warnings to screen food against flies and keep refuse covered, when the Administration permits a stopped drainage sewer to spew human excrement into Des Voeux Road, between the Gloucester Hotel and Exchange Building, all Sunday morning from dawn until 1 a.m. (when this letter is being written).

Aren't the Authorities supposed to see that the Municipal household is kept in a sanitary condition? Or is someone pulling our leg?

A VISITOR.

"Stooges"

Sir,—I do not think that the explanation put forward by your correspondent "S.T.S." in an attempt to explain away the failure of so many Hongkongites to take an intelligent interest in the question of self-government, is a reasonable explanation. Throughout life we are bound up with our own affairs in one way or another. If we are not restoring some business, we are starting some business, carrying on some business, saving some business from going into bankruptcy or working in some business concern, hoping against hope that some day we may become millionaires. As regards the weather, it will always be the same. In summer it is trying and in winter it may become too cold.

Frankly speaking, I would say that the lack of any excitement over the announcement that the Home Government has decided to grant Hongkongites a fuller and more responsible share in the management of their affairs may be attributed to the following factors:

(a) That while the majority of Hongkongites would like to have self-government, they are not blind to the fact that the rights, liberties and justice which they receive under the existing form of Government will be denied them should Hongkongites get into power at the present time.

(b) That the majority of Hongkongites are not so foolish as to believe that self-government at the present time will in fact mean a chance for one and all to take part in the management of the affairs of this Colony. It is undoubtedly the intention of H.M. Government that one and all should have a share in running things, but Hongkongites know their own people. They know that when self-government is accorded, the responsible positions will be filled by those who, by reason of their wealth or social standing, will be able to buy their way into power. The lesser appointments will, as a matter of course, be filled by stooges of the "big shots". It is a foregone conclusion that however honest and able they may be, poor and humble sons of Hong Kong who come from the people, belong to the people and are best qualified to speak for the people, will have no place in the shape of things to come.

I know that there are many who will disagree with the views I have expressed and consider that I have misrepresented the local set up. I maintain, however, that my views are based on a more superficial diagnosis of local conditions. I have been a resident in this Colony for well over 20 years. During this time, I have had unlimited opportunities for studying Chinese, Eurasians, Portuguese and Indians from every walk of life. I have always mixed with these Hongkongites freely and they have come to regard me as one of themselves, so much so that they always speak to me frankly and openly about topics which they are always reticent when in the presence of Englishmen or so-called community leaders. I know the people of Hong Kong, their hopes, their fears and their ambitions.

As a white man, not dependant upon the favours of Hongkongites, you, Mr. Editor, are not in a position to know what is really going on, nor can you for one moment visualize the extent of the corruption, discrimination, injustice and strife that will result in the event of Hongkongites being accorded self-government at the present time. If you but knew half of the story, you would not, I am sure, champion the cause of self-government for Hongkongites to the extent that you have. Self-government is certainly desirable and necessary, but it should not be accorded until such time as Hongkongites have proved, by their very deeds, that they fully understand the duties and responsibilities of a true citizen. At the present moment there is no one, no, not one Hongkongite who is big enough to forgo his own personal hates and prejudices or who has the courage to subordinate his own interests or the interests of his own class, to the interests of the people as a whole. This is a sweeping statement to make, but I would reiterate it because it is true.

Finally, I would state that self-interest is not the reason behind my stand against immediate self-government to Hongkongites. I have nothing to gain by a continuance of the present form of government or anything to lose by self-government. My only interest is that which is bound up with the well-being of the Empire to which I belong and which might suffer irreparable loss of prestige and other damage through the failure, deliberate or otherwise, of any Hongkongite, when in power, to maintain those principles which have made that Empire the greatest Empire the world has ever known. We, who belong to that Empire, heart and soul, and who do not lay claim to a dual nationality, would do well to exercise a little vision and foresight.

SIMPLE SIMON.

"JAM SESSION"

A surprise on yesterday's "Jam Session" programme at the Ensa Star Theatre was 6-year-old drummer Dick Flores, who was given a great ovation. It was Dick's first stage appearance and beyond dropping his drum stick at a particularly "hot" moment he stood up to his part like a real trouper.

With Joquin Vitela, 12-year-old clarinetist, he paired in a rendition of George Gershwin's "Lady Be Good," "The Kick of Araby" and "Rose Room." He also paired with trombonist Joe Dattiles in "Song of India."

A big reception was accorded also to swing songstress Barbara James, whose most popular number proved to be "I Cared For You." She was also given a big hand for "His Rockin' Horse Ran Away."

The second part of the programme featured the Jam Session Big Band, a combination of star performers from four of the Colony's best jazz bands—Andy Hildago and His Orchestra, Art Carneiro's Dixieland Band, Buzz Truman and His Mariners, and Freddie Abraham's Quintet.

One of the best items on the programme was the curtain number, a Big Band rendering of Bob Haggart's "South Rampart Street Parade."

The Jam Session Big Band also saluted the boys of Task Force 77, a good number of whom were present, with a rendition of Glen Miller's arrangement of "American Patrol."

The show owed much to a spirit of jazz camaraderie which was evident in the intermingling on the various numbers of members of all four bands and to the personality of the compere, Jimmy Semain.

OIL TANKER REFLOATED

Six weeks work on a sunken oil tanker was completed by the Naval Salvage Department yesterday, when the vessel was successfully refloated after two days pumping operations.

The tanker is a Japanese vessel of 9,000 tons which was sunk off Stonecutters Island by bombing. A new ship, it has suffered comparatively little damage, and will later be turned over to the Chinese authorities.

A notice in the Gazette calls for tenders for repairs to the Kwong Wah Hospital, Kowloon, and to the Kowloon-Canton Railway workshops.

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DEMANDS CANNOT BE MET America Unable To Meet Food Requests

Strong Hand Holds Keys Of Peace

London, May 5. "In the hand of strength lies the key of peace and war," says Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery, who takes up his duties as Chief of the Imperial General Staff at the end of June, in a message issued today on the eve of the first anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in Europe. Lord Montgomery recalled how the grand Allied team "brought about the utter and complete defeat of the Axis leaders after the British Empire had at one time stood alone against the combined might of Axis powers."

Lord Montgomery went on: "Now we have been at peace for a year and possibly some of us are inclined to forget all that happened between September 1939 and May 1945 and to forget how it happened."

"We must not forget that this is the least we can do for the brave fighting men, who gave their lives that we might live through to victory."

"We are all anxious that it should never happen again and we are working for peace and security for all nations within the framework of a world organization. But these things take time to arrange; and until everything is settled satisfactorily we must be strong for in the hands of strength lie the keys of peace and of war, and so I say again: Do not let us forget."

"So long as we are united and strong we can march forward with confidence towards our objective of lasting peace."—*Reuter*.

PARIS SEARCH

Paris, May 4. All United States Army garrison troops in Paris were confined to quarters yesterday while 700 military police and criminal investigation agents searched for American soldiers absent without leave.—*Associated Press*.

ALL-OUT OFFENSIVE AGAINST RATS

(By NEVILLE THOMAS)

London, May 4. UNRRA has launched an all-out offensive against the rat in order to stem famine and disease in Europe. Using poisons, gases, smoke cartridges and traps, UNRRA health and agriculture experts are directing the fight in Italy, Yugoslavia, Poland, Greece and the Dodecanese Islands.

Russians Keep Their Bargain

Teheran, May 5. Iran police officials said today that all Iran had been evacuated by the Russians but Prince Mozaffar Firouz, director of propaganda, described the Soviet exodus from Azerbaijan province as "almost" complete.

An Iranian General Staff Officer declared "all Iran has been evacuated by the Red Army" and gendarmes officials made similar statements.

Firouz said "Azerbaijan is almost completely evacuated and added that he saw no reason why correspondents should not visit the province" after Monday, which is the deadline set in the Soviet-Iranian agreement for the complete removal of Soviet troops from the country. Russian officials have refused permission to foreign correspondents to enter the province.

Firouz said negotiations were continuing between the central government and officials of the self-proclaimed autonomous Azerbaijan Government for reuniting the province with the Central Government.—*Associated Press*.

NO PROSECUTION

San Francisco, May 4. Assistant District Attorney Daniel C. Deasy disclosed yesterday to the Federal Court here that a Pacific transport recently arrived with nearly \$20,000 worth of government property unlisted on the manifest.

Deasy refused to prosecute the enlisted men involved because he said the effects on the Pacific islands were very free with government property. He suggested that army authorities should take action themselves.—*Associated Press*.

Scheme On Verge Of Collapse

(By William Hardcastle)

Washington, May 5. Within four days, the people of Asia and Europe should know from the Combined Food Board how much wheat they can expect to receive this month and the prospects for the next month.

The chances of either India's or Europe's requests being met are infinitesimal. All that remains is for equitable allocations to be made, that will see the fewest possible people die.

Under present plans, the United States will send only 20,000 tons of maize to India in May. It was learned authoritatively here today. This constitutes the sole shipment of grain from America to India planned under the present allocations, on which definite decisions can be expected this week.

On the other hand, there is, as yet, no sign of any reduction being made in the proposed allocation of 150,000 tons of wheat and other grains to Japan and proportionately large shipments to the American zone in Germany.

Knowledge of this fact presumably inspired the recent severe attacks on American food export policy by Sir Manilal Nanavati, one of the Indian delegates to the recent meeting of the Combined Food Board.

International food officials said here today that more than ever before, the responsibility for dealing with the impending world famine lies with the United States. Stocks in many other main supplying countries are running low, and if mass starvation is to be prevented, it will be done through American farms and mills.

The Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. Clinton Anderson, this week expressed the belief that his new "get the wheat" campaign will be successful and that it would enable the United States not only to fulfill its 1,000,000-ton commitments for May and June, but also to supply an extra 300,000 tons each month to make up for past deficits.

Few other American officials share his optimism, however.

Tense Meeting
This week's meeting of the Combined Food Board will be the most tense in history. India's representative—probably the Agent-General here, Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai—will appear to plead for 500,000 tons of wheat in May. If that is not forthcoming the board will be told that the Indian rationing system will break down and 100,000,000 Indians will immediately be confronted with starvation and death.

Alongside Sir Girja will be the Director-General of UNRRA, Fiorenzo LaGuardia, demanding all he can for famine threatened European countries under his care. In this tense atmosphere preparations are going on apace for the international food conference called in Washington for May 20, by Sir John Boyd Orr, the Director-General of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization.

Hopes are running high that some new and more efficient international organization will evolve from this conference to take the place both of UNRRA and the Combined Food Board, and to establish a world offensive against famine on a truly international basis.—*Reuter*.

Near Collapse
Washington, May 5. J. A. Krug, solid fuels administrator, declared today that the relief and rehabilitation programme for Europe was on the verge of collapse because of a shortage of coal for transportation.

He said there was a grave possibility that great quantities of food "will not reach the starving people in the liberated nations in time to avert an international catastrophe."—*Associated Press*.

Sugar Allocation
Washington, May 5. The Combined Food Board has announced how the short world supply of sugar is to be divided among the nations of the world.

Under the allocation, Europe will receive 11,133,000 tons, 4,042,000 tons from production in the claimant countries and 7,091,000 tons from imports. The remainder of the estimated world supply, 577,000 tons, was allocated to countries around the Indian and Pacific oceans.

The allocations included the United States, (for military and civilian use) 5,711,000 tons; Canada 465,000; Great Britain 1,825,000; France 1,063,000; Netherlands 252,000; UNRRA countries (Yugoslavia, Greece, Albania and Italy) 331,000; Norway 72,000; Belgium 201,000; Switzerland 67,000; Austria 81,000; Finland 45,000; and 347,000 tons for military services and minor exports for the United Kingdom and Canada.

The Board said these allocations are subject to review with any "significant changes in supplies during the year."

The Board estimated the 1946 sugar supply at 11,809,000 short tons compared with 12,270,000 tons allocated last year.—*Associated Press*.

Pork Exports
Washington, May 5. The U. S. Government ordered slaughter on Friday to set aside more pork and lard for export.

The order, effective Monday, requires them to set aside for government purchase pork products equal to 15 per cent of the livestock weight and lard or rendered fat equal to six per cent. The present percentages are 10 and five respectively.

Hint Of Arab Appeal To Moscow

London, May 5. An Arab League spokesman said yesterday that Palestine reports indicated that Arab groups planned to send a delegate to Moscow to ask the Soviet Government to submit the Palestine problem to the United Nations.

The spokesman, at a news conference in Cairo, stated he understood the Russians would be asked to "support the Arabs in Palestine" against the report of the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee which recommended immediate authorisation for the immigration of 100,000 Jews.

Tension mounted in the Holy Land amid reports that the heads of all Arab states are discussing the report and that an extraordinary meeting of the seven States of the Arab League would be convened.

Arab youths staged a riotous demonstration in Jerusalem on Friday.

Unofficial Arab sources said yesterday they have no knowledge of any appeal to the Soviet Union to place the Palestine question before the United Nations Security Council.

Musta Alami, second in command of the majority Arab party, refused to confirm or deny the reports.

A small youth group in Jaffa was reported last Friday night to have drafted a resolution asking a higher committee to invoke Soviet aid.

Later Saturday night a member of the Arab League now in Jerusalem said the League had no plans to send a delegate to Moscow.—*Associated Press*.

Political Killings In Greece

Athens, May 5. The problem of political killings jumped to the forefront in the Greek situation, following last night's murder in Athens of a nationalist by a hand-grenade thrown from a ten yard range and wounding three other nationalists.

Both incidents took place outside the offices of the Ultra Monarchist Party in two different parts of the capital.

The incidents are generally considered as reprisals by Communists for the recent killings of Left-wingers in Penistiri, a suburb of Athens and other parts of Greece.

They took place a few hours after the Cabinet—alarmed at the recent recurrence of killings—decreed the death penalty for carrying arms.

Spirio Theotokis, Minister of Public Security, told *Reuter* that the Government was determined to put down the shootings and, in addition to imposing the death penalty, has ordered the creation of local security councils.

Commenting on the EAM claim to the right of self-defence, Nikos Zachariades, Communist General Secretary told *Reuter* that a defence organisation "for the popular self-defence of the masses, has come into spontaneous existence."

"It is not an organisation in the sense that it does not have a directing centre; it is a spontaneous action which is formed by the Democrats whenever they are attacked."

The Ministry of Public Order has cancelled all existing arms licences.—*Reuter*.

IRAQI KING TO VISIT BRITAIN
Baghdad, May 5. King Faisal of Iraq, the Queen Mother and the Regent, Amir Abdullah will leave Baghdad for Cairo at the end of this month.

After a few days' visit to Cairo, the Royal family will leave by sea for Britain.

The Amir Abdullah of Transjordan arrived here today for a three-day visit.—*Reuter*.

BRITAIN PAYS
Ottawa, May 4. Canada, the Dominican Republic, Iceland and the United Kingdom have all completed their contributions to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King informed the House of Commons here today.—*Associated Press*.

President Truman said his administration still wants price controls on meat.—*Associated Press*.

SUICIDE

Berlin, May 5. Military government authorities said today that Charles W. A. Scott, the pre-war air ace whose death at U.N.R.R.A. headquarters in Germany on April 15 was reported yesterday, had committed suicide in his quarters by shooting.

Both military government and U.N.R.R.A. officials declined to divulge the motive for suicide.

Scott, who was 43, won the England to Australia air race with Campbell Black in 1934.—*Reuter*.

Insolence To Soviet Actress

Moscow, May 5. Waldo Ruess, an American Embassy clerk here, yesterday received a summons to appear on May 8 before the Moscow city prosecutor to answer charges of committing "insolent acts" against an actress from one of the Moscow state theatres.

Ruess, who has been a member of the Embassy staff for two years and was expected to leave soon for home was not arrested or asked to post bail.

The labour newspaper "Trud," in one of the few instances in which police court news are published, printed an account under the headline "Hooligan Acts of an American citizen stating: 'Riding in an automobile with a Soviet citizen and actress in one of the Moscow State Theatres a member of the American Embassy in Moscow, Waldo Ruess, permitted himself a number of insolent hooligan acts towards her. Ruess hooligan acts were stopped only after interference by a policeman who hastened to the citizens cries for help. In accordance with Soviet laws Ruess will be brought up for criminal proceedings.'

The Soviets are apparently not extending the customary diplomatic immunity to clerks and others who are not on the official diplomatic list.—*Associated Press*.

Browder On Moscow Visit

Helsinki, May 5. The Finnish police yesterday announced that Earl Browder, former Communist Party leader in the United States, has left Finland en route to Russia.

The police, who began a search for Browder following his failure to comply with the regulations requiring foreigners to report to the police within three days of their arrival, said they have established that Browder passed the Finnish border station of Valmikkala which is on the main railway line to Leningrad. Authorities said he did not have a Finnish visa when he arrived in Finland from Stockholm on April 30.

Browder said in Stockholm that he was en route to Moscow to "study politics."—*Associated Press*.

Reversal Of Our Policy In Greece

London, May 5. Britain is believed to be informing London quarters to be suggesting in Washington that the time has come formally to release the Greek Government from the pledge given, last autumn by the administration of Themistocles Sothonis, that no plebiscite on the return of the monarchy will be held before 1948.

This step follows a similar initiative from the British Government suggesting that they should be formally released from the pledge not to raise the constitutional issue in that country without Allied consent.

Since the Greek election, a spokesman in London on more than one occasion has stated that Britain cannot consider the new Greek government is bound by the undertakings of the predecessor, so that any further pronouncement from this country would be stripped of formality.

Official quarters in London were, however, unwilling this afternoon to comment on the reports that Britain now favours the holding of the plebiscite as soon as possible.

Such an attitude would constitute a complete reversal of the British policy towards Greece.—*Reuter*.

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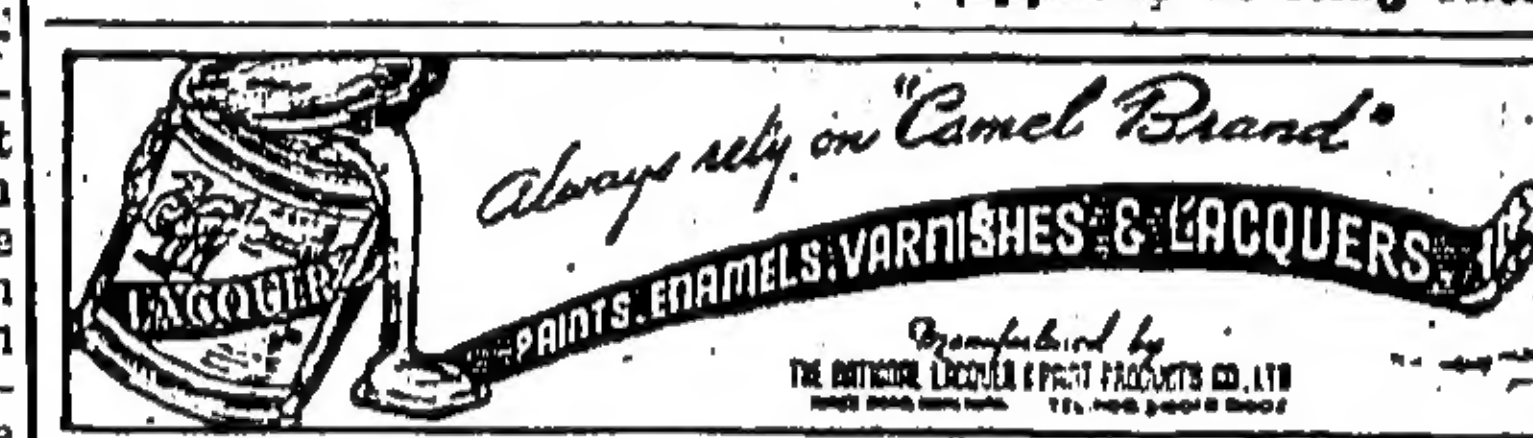
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Spain Round-Up Of Wanted Nazis

Madrid, May 5. The Allied Control Commission in Madrid has not yet completed its investigations and is still preparing a list of German public and private assets.

They are variously estimated at between 200,000,000 and one million pesetas.

Most of the 380 German or German-controlled firms in Spain are still working. Some of the more important of them have allied representatives on their board of directors.

Spanish police are at present rounding up a new batch of Nazis for repatriation. Over 200 are ready to be moved, more than a dozen of them classed as "important undesirable." Some leading Nazis who were wanted are still in hiding.

It is estimated that altogether there were about 8,000 Germans in Spain of whom about 800 were wanted by the Allies. About 200 have so far been handed over.—*Reuter*.

RECOGNITION

Copenhagen May 5. The Danish Foreign Ministry announced yesterday that Denmark had officially recognised the Flgi Austrian Government. The announcement added that recognition was sent to the Austrian Government in an official form.—*Associated Press*.

Lull In Palestine Troubles
Jerusalem, May 5. There was a lull today on both the Jewish and Arab "fronts" and with official Jewish still silent on the Anglo-American Commission's proposals, an announcement by the "Voice of Israel," the Jewish underground radio, that the Jewish resistance movement guarantees to keep peace in Palestine providing that 100,000 Jews are admitted to Palestine, is believed here to accurately reflect the feelings of the majority of Jews.

Pending an official declaration by the British and United States governments on the Commission's report, it is generally believed here that the Jewish resistance movement will suspend "operations."

The Iraq Government tonight issued a statement protesting against the Anglo-American Commission's report on Palestine and expressing the belief that acceptance of its recommendations would lead to "bloodshed and uneasiness" in the Middle East.

The statement described the Commission as "illegal" and said that the immigration of 100,000 Jews into Palestine would be regarded as "an aggressive act against the Arabs' rights and international law."—*Reuter*.

Note on April 30.—*Associated Press*.

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Americans Trying To Pull Out?

(By Rombert James)

Moscow, May 5.

Tass, the official Soviet News Agency, today charged that
Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, in proposing a
25-year treaty for supervising Germany, was possibly
raising a "paper curtain" behind which the United
States could retreat from carrying out its obligations
in Germany.

Tass declared it appeared that the Americans were prepar-
ing to pull out of the Reich before Hitlerism is stamped
out.

JAPAN MAY BE DEMOCRACY YET

Tokyo, May 5.

General Douglas MacArthur,
Supreme Allied Commander in
Japan, in the latest of his period
reports on the occupation said
today that he saw encouraging
signs of success for the allied
campaign to establish democ-
racy amid the ruins of feudalistic
Japan.

The report was published
yesterday 24 hours after Mac-
Arthur intervened in Japan's
Cabinet crisis to prevent the
appointment of an alleged pro-
Axis Premier and after he had
reprimanded the outgoing
Shidehara Government for its
failure to disqualify the man,
Liberal Party member Ichiro
Hatakeyama, without waiting for
the Supreme Commander to act.

MacArthur said "There is
reason to believe that the Ja-
panese are becoming more
conscious of the fundamental
issues involved in their political
revolution."

This revolution was revealed
in the proposed new "epoch-
making" constitution, the recent
general elections, the new un-
censored press and the spirit of
the people.—Associated Press.

" NONSENSICAL FABRICATION "

Simla, May 5.

The Moslem newspaper
"Vatan" of Bombay, said yester-
day that the All-India Con-
gress Party was organising the
people for a civil war.

This assertion was denied by
Congress leaders here who
promptly declared it was a
"nonsensical fabrication."

The newspaper also said that
it is understood that Sardar
Shaukat Hayat Khan, promi-
nent Moslem League leader in
Punjab, had called a meeting
of army officers released from
service and was planning to or-
ganise a force of 600,000 Mos-
lem National Guards for the
Punjab.

Congress President Maulana
Khalid Kalam Azad declared that
the "Vatan" story was "mis-
chievous lies from beginning to
end" so far as it related to
Congress.—Associated Press.

RESCUE OF FIVE AMERICANS

Peiping, May 5.

A Communist spokesman at
the Sino-American Executive
Headquarters here said it is
tentatively planned to evacuate
the five American correspond-
ents from Changchun today.

He further said that Com-
munist Commissioner, General
Yeh Chien-yin, at the request of
the American Commissioner,
asked Communist Headquarters
at Changchun for information
as to when the airport there
can be made ready to receive a
rescue plane. May 5 was the
earliest date possible, he was
told.—Associated Press.

EISENHOWER ON THE P. I.

Manila, May 5.

General Dwight Eisenhower,
U.S. Army Chief-of-Staff, said
yesterday that American mili-
tary strength in the Philippines
would depend on political ar-
rangements between the United
States and the Philippine Re-
public. He added that the United
States hopes that arrange-
ments can be made for air
bases in the archipelago.

His reference to bases is re-
garded as significant in view of
the statement to the Associated
Press on Thursday assuring the
United States of close coopera-
tion for defense.—Associated
Press.

Tokyo, May 5.

The Japanese Government
has ordered the dissolution of 71
political organisations for
failure to register with the
Home Ministry.—Associated
Press.

The Paris correspondent of
the official Russian news
agency, writing in the Com-
munist Party newspaper,
"Pravda," said Byrnes' pro-
posals to the Paris foreign
ministers conference raises
"officially" for the first time
the question of discontinuing
the occupation of Germany."

He added "It looks as if the
American proposal signifies pre-
parations to reject the funda-
mental obligations undertaken
by the allies regarding Ger-
many namely, long occupation
of Germany with the aim of
actually destroying the roots
and base of German militarism."

Byrnes proposed a four-
power agreement for super-
vision of Germany for at least 25
years after the present occupa-
tion to ensure that German
forces are completely disbanded,
that such organizations as
Storm Troopers and the Gestapo
are wiped out and that no
military equipment is manu-
factured.

Far From Aim

Byrnes indicated that Mar-
shal Stalin supported the idea
when they discussed it in Mos-
cow last Christmas. However,
Molotov opposed placing the
matter on the Paris conference
agenda in connection with gen-
eral discussions on Germany.

The Tass correspondent said
Byrnes' proposals were "far
from the aim of really forestal-
ling the rebirth of militarism
in Germany."

He asked, "Can it be forgot-
ten that the lessons of two de-
vastating wars, instigated by
Germany during the life of one
generation brought the Allies
to a unanimous decision for the
necessity of a long occupation
of Germany with the aim of
liquidating German militarism,
rooting out the remnants of
Hitlerism and reconstructing
the country on a democratic
basis?"

The dispatch, published pro-
minently on the foreign page of
"Pravda," said that outside of
the occupation question, there
was nothing in Byrnes' pro-
posals that had not already been
settled by the four powers.—
Associated Press.

Deciding The Future Of India

Simla, May 5.

The tripartite conference which within the next few days
may decide the future of India opens this morning at
the Viceroy's residence at Simla.

The British Cabinet Mission and representatives of the
congress Party arrived some days ago and with the
arrival of the representatives of the Moslem League,
all leaders for the final scene of the constitutional
drama are assembled.

The major parties—Congress
and Moslem League—whom the
recent elections gave a mandate to
speak for the whole sub-continent,
are meeting in a private conference
with the British Cabinet mission,
as the third party to endeavour
to agree on conditions for formal
and final transfer of power from
British to Indian hands.

The conference is expected to
be of brief duration and decisive.
The Mission has made proposals
to Indian leaders, which will offer
the basis for discussion. These
are: (1) An Indian union which
would control defence, foreign
affairs, communications etc.
(2) That the provinces should
have all other powers, including
freedom to group themselves ac-
cording to the predominance of
population into Moslem or non-
Moslem zones.

(3) That Indian states should
enter the Union at a later stage
after negotiating an entry with
the Union Government.
This group of proposals may
be taken as the starting point for
discussions.

Compromises Aim

Both League and Congress have
made it clear that they are enter-
ing the discussions completely un-
trammelled and uncommitted and
are prepared, if necessary, to
resist, amend or reject any point
arising.
Political observers consider that
the Cabinet Mission's broad aim

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Arrivals

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Milke and S.S. Harlain.

Scheduled Arrivals

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S.S. Ah Kwang, S.S. Lycaon, I.S.
Eritrea and S.S. Bust from
Singapore.
Tomorrow:—H.M.S. Armada
from Thursday Island, H.M.S.
Belast from Yokohama and
R.F.A. Broomdale from Singapore.

Departures

Yesterday:—S.S. Carl B. El-
son for Tsingtao.

Scheduled Departures

Today:—U.S.S. Boxer, Antic-
tan, Los Angeles, Dyess, Bordo-
tan and Leary, H.M.S. Camper-
down for Singapore and Colombo
and H.M.S. Lagos for Shanghai.
Tomorrow:—H.M.S. Manxman
for Kure and Yokohama.

N.Y. STOCKS

New York, May 4.
With scattered exceptions, the
New York stock market concluded
with a generally losing week by
displaying further downward ten-
dencies. Light selling was blamed
mainly on the coal crisis
threats and railway walk-out.
The turnover was 409,000
shares.

Dow Jones Averages ... 75.49
30 Industrials ... 202.52
20 Rails ... 63.15
15 Utilities ... 42.75

Alaska Juneau \$8 1/2, American
Can \$84, American Smelting \$37 1/2,
American Telephone \$193 1/2,
American Waterworks \$25, Ana-
conda Copper \$46 1/2, Aviation Cor-
poration \$10 1/2, Baldwin \$32 1/2,
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\$10 1/2, Boeing \$27 1/2, Borden Co.
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gomery Ward \$94 1/2, National Dis-
tillers \$74 1/2, National Lead \$37 1/2,
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nolds Tobacco \$45, Schenley \$79 1/2,
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SPORTS SECTION

SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIP

London, May 5.
The world's snooker championship, opening at the Royal Agricultural Hall on Monday, will probably be the greatest of its kind, because for the first time the Hall, worthy of the fame that made such strides in all works of life in recent years, has been taken for the event.

The result will be that thousands, whereas only hundreds in previous years, will be able to see the play between Joe Davis, England and Horace Lindrum, Australia.

Davis spent a restful time at Bournemouth West before final preparation for the match but did not forget the game entirely and had time to deliberate on the growth of snooker.

"I have been playing golf here and believe me the public does not necessarily want low golf scores, long lawn-tennis rallies or big billiards breaks but they want exciting play and good strokes. That is one of the reasons why snooker is more popular than billiards, for I recall when we first made thousands billiards breaks, then the two thousands and we eventually cleared the halls."

Monotony no doubt was responsible for this.—Reuter.

Amateur Golf Championship

Richmond, May 4.
Thirty-seven-year-old Don Latty, four times Hampshire County champion, confounded critics when he scored 6 and 4 to win in the 36 holes final of the English Amateur Golf Championship here today. His rival was Kenneth Thom, a six-foot giant.

Thom, who reached the championship final just before the war, was favourite for the English title but never showed form in the earlier rounds and Pately, a chartered accountant, held a commanding five holes lead at the end of the first 18 holes.

Pately was four up after nine holes though neither was playing good golf but Thom made the most mistakes and paid the penalty. Their approximate scores were Pately 80 and Thom 85 and revealed the low standard of play.—Reuter.

Wakefield Beat Wigan

Wembley, May 5.
Wakefield Trinity won the Rugby League Cup here this afternoon by a dramatic last minute penalty kick. They beat Wigan 13 points to 12.

A record crowd for this field of 55,000 including the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and Mr. Chifley, the Australian Prime Minister, saw the most dramatic finish of the Cup's 50 years of history.

It was Wakefield's second win, the previous success being as far back as 1909. It was a personal triumph for Wakefield's right centre and captain Scott, who, scoring the penalty goal to win the match in the last minute, had his hand in all his side's points.

It was not surprising that the joyous crowds swarmed on the pitch almost immediately after his final score and carried him shoulder high to receive the cup from Mr. Attlee.

Wigan were unlucky as their handling was safe, their tackling was resolute and their passing sure throughout.

There was a rushed alliance in the huge stadium when Scott took that final kick to put the winners in front of their Lancashire rivals for the first time in the game. Only brilliant work by fullback Teall had saved Wakefield from losing. The official attendance at the game of 55,000 was a record for a Rugby League match in any part of the world.—Reuter.

Davis Cup

Barcelona, May 5.
Switzerland lead Spain by two games to one in the first round of the European zone of the Davis Cup as a result of the doubles victory here today.

Spitzer and Buser for Switzerland lost the first set 6-7 against Carlos and Bartoli

BIRMINGHAM HEADS LEAGUE SOUTH

LONDON, MAY 4.
SOCCER'S FIRST PEACE-TIME LEAGUE COMPETITIONS ENDED TODAY IN SUMMER WEATHER WITH A THRILLING FINISH TO THE LEAGUE SOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP, WHICH BIRMINGHAM CARRIED OFF BY A THIRD OF A GOAL.

BIRMINGHAM, WITH A HANDSOME 3-0 WIN AT LUTON WHERE THE TOWN WAS FORCED TO FIELD A WEAKENED SIDE, FINISHED WITH AN AVERAGE OF 2.133 TO ASTON VILLA'S 1.827 AVERAGE. BOTH TEAMS OBTAINED 61 POINTS.

Charlton, who at one time hoped to bring off the difficult League and Cup double, were beaten on the post through conceding a home point to Wolverhampton.

Aston Villa, who had finished their League programme during the week with a two point lead over both these rivals, had no game and could only sit back and watch.

Unfortunately for them, Birmingham's win relegated them to the position of runners-up and kept them ahead of Charlton. Both Birmingham and Charlton led at half-time.

The other eight London clubs in this division finished in a group behind each other and the remaining team Brentford only two places behind Millwall.

The F. A. Cup winners, Derby County, who at one time seriously threatened to win the championship were finally fourth. Plymouth Argyle who were a long time winning their first match this season occupy the last place.

Leeds Failure
The League North Championship had been decided a week ago but the champions Sheffield United, finished the season with a win, whereas the runners-up Everton went down at Bury, with Bolton third, Manchester United fourth and Sheffield Wednesday fifth.

Leeds United who had a very poor season with 118 goals against them are last in the table. Stoke City who set the pace early in the season finished halfway up the table.

The League North Cup went to Rotherham United with an odd goal victory over Chester and League Three South Cup to Bournemouth who got the only goal of the match against Walsall.

In Scotland, the Victory Cup has reached the second round, where the champions, Rangers, and their famous rivals Celtic both won their games with returning games next week.

Hibernians beat Hearts 3-1 but the other five matches showed no more than a goal return between teams which should mean interesting struggles for the survival next week.

Last International
At Ninian Park, Cardiff, Ireland won the last of the season's home soccer international against Wales by the lone goal scored by inside-right Glean of Tranmere Rovers in the first half. Before some 40,000 spectators, Wales pressed heavily in the second half but could not penetrate the Irish defence. They lingered too long in the front of the goal before getting in a shot which enabled their backs to save the situation.

The Welsh left wing Lucas of Swindon and Clarke of Cardiff were outstanding players in today's match.

Ireland had most of the play in the first half and deserved their one goal lead. After the interval Wales put in all they know in an endeavour to pull the game out of the fire. Ireland in this half was mainly on the defensive but put in some dangerous raids from time to time.

The results of matches played today were as follows:

League North
Barnsley 4 Blackburn 0.
Burnley 0 Sheffield United 1.
Bury 3 Everton 1. Chesterfield 2.
Bradford 0. Grimsby 1. Preston 0.
Huddersfield 2 Manchester City 0.
Mancaster United 2 Stoke 1. Wednesday 2 New-

castle 3. Sunderland 0 Middlesbrough 1.

League South
Arsenal 2 West Ham 1. Charlton 1. Wolves 1. Coventry 0. Spurs 1.
Derby 1. Chelsea 1. Fulham 8.
Newport 1. Leicester 1. Brentford 3.
Luton 0. Birmingham 3. Plymouth 4.
Nottingham Forest 2. Southampton 2. Millwall 4.
Swansea 3. Portsmouth 0.

League Three
North, Second Championship: Bradford City 4. Wrexham 3. Doncaster 5. Oldham 1. Gateshead 4.
Barrow 2. Hartlepool 6. York 2. Lincoln 5. Accrington 1. Rochdale 2. Southport 1. Stockport 1. Carlisle 2.

North, Cup Final: Chester 2 Rotherham 3.

South, Cup Final: Bournemouth 1. Walsall 0.

South, South Region Cup: Aldershot 2. Brighton 3.

Scottish Cup
Second Round: Aberdeen 1. Kilmarnock 1. Airdrie 0. Rangers 4.
Celtic 3. Queen of the South 0.
Clyde 0. Morton 0.
Cowdenbeath 1. Partick 1. Falkirk 3.
Third Lanark 2. Hibernian 3.
Hearts 1. Raith 2. St. Mirren 1.

International Match Wales 0 Ireland 1.

Other matches: Bath 1. Bristol City 2. Dundee United 0. Arbroath 3. Exeter 0. Torquay 4. Ipswich 3. Norwich 2. Swindon 2. Bristol Rovers 1.—Reuter.

Sing Tao Beat Navy

Making its first public appearance this season, Sing Tao beat Navy by three clear goals in a friendly football game at Causeway Bay yesterday.

With the exception of one or two, the best Chinese players of the Colony turned out for Sing Tao yesterday and generally played the ball well. They put up a good display. Tang Kwong-sum opened the scoring in the first half with a good cross-shot and shortly after Chang Kam-hoi increased the lead from a penalty.

In the second half, Chang Kam-hoi scored. Lau Chung-sang, Fung King-cheong and Lee Shek-yau missed several scoring opportunities.

ICE HOCKEY

Wembley, May 5.
The Canadians beat the Davis Club, champion ice hockey team of Switzerland, 12-6 at the Empire Pool here before a packed house this evening.

The Swiss wasted opportunities in the first two periods, many passes near the goal went astray. In the final ten minutes of the game they changed their tactics and shot on every available opportunity. The result was that they put four past the Canadian net minder Dig Huchison.

The turning point in the game was in the second period when Toni Licari got three goals with the Canadian offensive line spread-eagling the Swiss defence.

The Canadians opened the final period in great style and netted five times but the Swiss hit back getting a goal every other minute near the end.

The Canadian scorers were Licari, and Bobby Lee, three each, Franch Boucher and Jim Chappell, two each, and Doug Morris and A. Richardson each netting once.—Reuter.

U.S. Baseball

New York, May 5.
The New York Yankees' Lefty Joe Page hit a home run in the eighth inning to win his own game 4 to 3 and give the Detroit Tigers their sixth straight defeat Saturday. John Murray relieved Page in the ninth with two men on base and none out, fanning one and forcing a double play. DI Maglio hit a homer in the fourth, with one man on base.

The Boston Red Sox routed Bob Feller for their ninth consecutive victory, defeating Cleveland 6 to 2. Boston's Ted Williams hit a home run in the sixth with one on base.

American League Scores:

Team	R	H	E
Detroit	3	8	0
New York	4	8	2
Cleveland	2	11	2
Boston	6	13	1
St. Louis-Washington and Chicago-Philadelphia postponed, rain.			

Johnny Mize of the New York Giants hit two home runs and Ernie Lombard homered once, as the Chicago Cubs, 5 to 1, in his major league debut.

Cincinnati gave a shellacking to three Philadelphia pitchers to win, 7 to 4.

National League Scores:

Team	R	H	E
New York	5	11	0
Chicago	1	5	1
Philadelphia	4	9	2
Cincinnati	7	12	1
Boston-Pittsburgh postponed, rain.			
Brooklyn-St. Louis, postponed, wet grounds.—Associated Press.			

MAJOR LEAGUE
Major League baseball standings, including Saturday's games are:

American League Scores:

Team	Won	Lost	Pctge.
Boston	15	3	.833
New York	13	5	.722
St. Louis	8	8	.500
Detroit	7	9	.438
Chicago	6	8	.429
Cleveland	5	9	.357
Washington	5	9	.357
Philadelphia	4	12	.250

National League Scores:

Team	Won	Lost	Pctge.
Brooklyn	10	4	.714
St. Louis	9	5	.643
Boston	7	5	.583
New York	7	8	.467
Pittsburgh	7	9	.438
Cincinnati	6	8	.429
Philadelphia	4	11	.267

—Associated Press.

H.K. BASEBALL

(By 'Fair Play')
An interesting exhibition baseball game was witnessed yesterday at Recreation ground. For five tense stanzas the crowd were treated to an "extra special" exhibition of ball-playing. Playing a Los Angeles squad scouted "Doc" Molitor's Hong Kong Nine 10-8.

The U.S.S. Los Angeles victory was due chiefly to sparkling in-field and outfield co-operation; plus well-combined thunder-making at the platter.

Antonelli, U.S.S. Los Angeles short-stop secured the hero's pedestal with a sparkling display. All balls placed to this vital area were prey to Antonelli's miraculous "nabbing."

For the losers "Showboat" All gave a run for fielding honours, and George Souza was also brilliant with a lightning spear on Bel-tro's liner.

A return game will be played on March 11 of South China ground, Hong Kong at 10 a.m. sharp.

It is learnt that a Softball game under the auspices of the H.K. Softball Association will be held in honour of the U.S.S. Los Angeles. Date and place will be announced.

Other local sports on Page 4

U.S. Team For Wimbledon

New York, May 5.
Top-ranking tennis players will represent the United States in the Wimbledon matches in London, the United States Lawn Tennis Association announced today.

The entire Wightman Squad—composed of Pauline Betz, Margaret Osborne, Doris Hart, Louise Brough and Mrs. Pat Canning Todd—will compete at Wimbledon after the July 14-16 cup matches.

The masculine contingent will be Jack Kramer, Tom Brown, Budge Patty, Bill Robertson and Francisco Segura, who holds the National Indoor Crown and, although travelling with the United States squad, will also represent his native Ecuador.—Associated Press.

Indian Team Opens Promisingly

(By Leoric Constantine; Reuter's Special Correspondent)

WORCESTER, MAY 4.
THE INDIAN CRICKET TEAM OPENED THEIR TOUR IN ENGLAND IN PROMISING FASHION HERE TODAY, DISMISSING WORCESTERSHIRE FOR 191.

MANY CRITICS WAGGED THEIR HEADS WHEN INDIA'S CAPTAIN, THE NAWAB OF PATAUDI, DID AN UNORTHODOX THING IN SENDING THE COUNTY IN TO BAT, BUT IT WAS NOTABLE THAT HE CONSULTED HIS COLLEAGUES—ALMOST CERTAINLY VICE-CAPTAIN VIJAY MERCHANT AND AMAR NATH—WHO PROBABLY AGREED WITH THEIR SKIPPER THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE MEN WERE TIRED OUT AFTER ALL-NIGHT TRAVELLING AND STILL OUT OF CONDITION, IT WAS THE WISEST PLAN.

H.K. CRICKET

Colonel Mitchell's Eleven won by nine wickets at the end of the second day of play of the match between his team and a Royal Air Force Eleven yesterday. When stumps were drawn on Saturday, Colonel Mitchell's team had scored 91 for three wickets.

The match was resumed at 11 a.m. yesterday, with the R.A.F. fielding and Griffiths and Bell batting. The score went up to 110 before Griffiths was low to a ball from Cooke; shortly afterwards, Cooke bowled Bell, who had scored a valuable 24. Bosanquet (22), Mitchell (17) and Minu (12, not out) were responsible for taking the score up to 170 by 12.30 p.m.

Fielding was again extremely good and Kenyon brought off two brilliant catches. Eve was remarkably quick in the field, saving many boundary hits.

The R.A.F. batted for half an hour before lunch, but quickly lost Reid. Eve, after settling down after lunch, played on a ball from Seymour-Haydon when he had scored 14 runs. McLeellan was the only other batsman to make any impression on the bowling, scoring 12 runs. The whole R.A.F. side was out for 68 runs. Seymour-Haydon was in greater form than on Saturday, taking 8 wickets for 38 runs.

This left Colonel Mitchell's team with only 27 runs required for a win. Kenyon took a wicket in his first over but within half an hour the necessary runs had been secured. Colonel Mitchell's Eleven winning by 9 wickets.

"Mad Innings"
As it was only 4 o'clock when the match finished, it was decided to hold a "mad innings" of 45 minutes for each team, with the batsmen becoming bowlers and vice versa. In one and a half hours' play, just on 200 runs were scored. It produced some lively and amusing cricket and was good entertainment for the crowd watching the play. It was a fitting end to an extremely pleasant and enjoyable two days of cricket.

The score-sheet for the two-day match was as follows:—

R.A.F.—1st Innings 128. Eve 37. Reid 19. Kenyon 19. not out. Bowling—Minu 2-38, Elvin 0-64. Smith 2-22.

Colonel Mitchell's XI—1st Innings 170.

Elvin, b Kenyon 47.
Haynes, c Beech, b Thomas 17.
Dow, c Gerrard, b Kenyon 18.
Griffiths, lbw Cooke 22.
Bell, b Cooke 24.
Bosanquet, c Baxter, b Thomas 24.
Mitchell, b Thomas 17.
Ozorio, c Kenyon, b Eve 11.
Seymour-Haydon, c Kenyon, b Eve 4.
Minu, not out 12.
Smith, b Cooke 6.
Extras 19.

Total 170.

2nd Innings—Kenyon 2-59, Cooke 3-48, Thomas 3-31, Eve 2-10.

R.A.F.—2nd Innings.
Eve played on, bowled Haydon 14.
Reid, b Haydon 10.
Thomas, b Haydon 8.
Allen, st b Minu 4.
Baxter, b Haydon 12.
McLeellan, c Dew, b Elvin 15.
Cooke, st b Haydon 12.
Beech, b Haydon 8.
Grose, not out 3.
Kenyon, b Haydon 0.
Gerrard, b Elvin 0.
Extras 19.

Total 69.

Bowling—Seymour-Haydon 7-38, Kenyon 1-11.

His shrewd decision was fully justified and taking everything into consideration the tourists can congratulate themselves on their opening. Left-hander Vinoo Mankad, who took four wickets for 28 runs bowled superbly.

Bowling in true Verity style round the wicket and taking only four paces he scarcely took anything out of himself, mixed his pace skilfully and turned the ball from leg. To show this impeccable length so early in the tour without practice seems well for the Indians during the remainder of the tour.

Another to impress me was Sarwat, who although not having much luck bowled his right-arm leg-breaks and googlies with splendid confidence. He kept the batsmen playing by tossing the ball well into the air and up to the wicket. The slow green pitch was helpful to spin although the ball came off slowly.

Test Stumper

Bannerjee has filled out considerably since his last visit and his pace could be compared with the Lancashire test bowler. Pollock, who dismissed his slower ball cunningly.

Amar Nath kept a steady length and pinned the batsmen down and will probably become the stock bowler. Shinde did not seem particularly troublesome. Behind the stumps Hindlekar gave a polished performance and this neat, and safe wicketkeeper is of obvious test class.

The fielding of the Indians was inclined to be erratic but that was not to be wondered at as their hands are not yet acclimatised and the players undoubtedly felt the cold wind so much that they had to field in sweaters.

Opening Stand

The county started well with an opening stand between their captain Singleton, who like Pataudi is an old Oxonian, and left-hander Howarth, who spent last year with the R.A.F. in India. They put on 61 runs in an hour's play before lunch. Brilliant fielding by Gul Mahomed got Singleton run-out for 47.

But after lunch the game turned in favour of the tourists, thanks chiefly to Mankad's fine bowling. Tea was taken with the total 172 for eight and shortly afterwards the innings was closed.

A crowd of 6,000, including Devadas Gandhi, son of Mahatma Gandhi, watched the day's play on the picturesque cathedral ground.

Other Matches

Other scores were: At Lords: Surrey 361 (Parker 101). M.C.C. 27 for 4 wickets.

At Cambridge: Gloucestershire 310 (Washbrook 60, Griffiths six for 129). Cambridge University 35 for 1.

At Oxford: Gloucester 481 for 7 (Hammond 132, Barnett 110). Oxford University 25 for 1.—Reuter.

WOODCOCK BOUT POSTPONED

London, May 5.
The fight scheduled for May 13 at Madison Square Garden between the British heavyweight champion Bruce Woodcock and Toni Mauriello, has been postponed to May 17.

New York promoter Mike Jacobs asked for the postponement as Bob Montgomery, who injured an eye, will be unable to fight Alec Stoltz for the world's lightweight title, on May 17 and London promoter Jack Solomons has agreed.—Reuter.

Minu 1-21, Elvin 2-0.
Colonel Mitchell's XI—2nd Innings 20.
Griffiths, not out 20.
Haynes, c Grose, b Kenyon 8.
Dow, not out 0.
Extras 19.

Total 32.

Bowling—Kenyon 1-11.

Hard-Court Champion

Bournemouth, May 5.
The British Hard-Court Championship "Finals Day" produced a brilliant tennis feast for the crowds of sporting fans who saw Jack Harper, ranked eighth in Australia win the singles title by 7-5, 6-2 and 6-1 against Derek Barton, England's number one Davis Cup player.

Harper, 33 years old, won a big tournament earlier in the season but spent last week sleepless owing to a raging toothache making his appearance in this event more noteworthy. He is in England as representative of an Australian textile firm, and when he reached the final was favoured to win though Barton lost none of his reputation by his defeat.

In spite of this match, the main interest was centred in the Ladies Singles, in which two pre-war stars Jean Nicoll and Kay Stammers, now Mrs. Rostock, fought in the final with Mrs. Bostock winning 6-3 and 6-4 against the holder of the title.

Mrs. Bostock and Menzies won the Ladies Doubles tonight by 6-1 and 10-8.—Reuter.

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H.K.T.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.45 p.m.—Dance Music.
1.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Patricia Roseborough at the Piano and John McHugh (Vocal).
1.30 p.m.—Music Time.—ENSA.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—The Hill Billies.
6.45 p.m.—"Melody Lingers On"—ENSA.
7.00 p.m.—The Organ, The Dance Band and Me and Hildagarde (Vocal).
7.30 p.m.—Variety.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay—News.
8.15 p.m.—Music for Dancing.
8.45 p.m.—"Music Time"—ENSA.
9.15 p.m.—Albert Sandler & His Orchestra and Grace Moore (Vocal).
9.45 p.m.—Quentin M. MacLean at the Organ.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—News.
10.15 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera.
10.30 p.m.—Half an Hour with Massenet.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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